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HIGHLIGHTS

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Six bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1649–1654, and S. Res. 253–255.

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Measures Reported:

Reported on Wednesday, September 2, during the adjournment:

S. 728, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance veterans' insurance benefits, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–71)

Reported on Tuesday, September 8:

S. 588, to amend title 46, United States Code, to establish requirements to ensure the security and safety of passengers and crew on cruise vessels, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–72)

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Measures Passed:

Joint Session of Congress: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 179, providing for a joint session of Congress to receive a message from the President.

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Honoring Edward Moore Kennedy: Senate agreed to S. Res. 255, relative to the death of Edward Moore Kennedy, a Senator from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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Measures Considered:

Travel Promotion Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1023, to establish a non-profit corporation to communicate United States entry policies and otherwise promote leisure, business, and scholarly travel to the United States, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Reid (for Dorgan/Rockefeller) Amendment No. 1347, of a perfecting nature. Page S9118

Reid Amendment No. 1348 (to Amendment No. 1347), to change the enactment date. Page S9118

Reid Amendment No. 1349 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 1347), to change the enactment date.

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Reid Amendment No. 1350 (to Amendment No. 1349), of a perfecting nature. Page S9118

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 80 yeas to 19 nays (Vote No. 271), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate upon reconsideration agreed to the motion to close further debate on Reid (for Dorgan/Rockefeller) Amendment No. 1347, listed above.

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Reid Motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with instructions, fell when the motion to close further debate on Reid (for Dorgan/Rockefeller) Amendment No. 1347, was agreed to.

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The following amendments fell when the motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation fell:

Reid Amendment No. 1351 (to the instructions on the motion to recommit), to change the enactment date.

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Reid Amendment No. 1352 (to Amendment No. 1351), of a perfecting nature. Page S9118

Reid Amendment No. 1353 (to Amendment No. 1352), of a perfecting nature. Page S9118

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 11:00 a.m., on Wednesday, September 9, 2009, and that time during any adjournment, recess, or period of morning business count against the post-cloture time.

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